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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT  
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Masaki HIGURASHI et al

Serial No. : 08/964,180

Filed : November 4, 1997

For : IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS  
FOR JOINING A PLURALITY OF  
IMAGES

Art Unit : 2612

Examiner : L. Nguyen

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE-EXAMINING GROUP 2600

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed July 3, 2001,  
the term for response to which is extended by two months by  
Petition filed concurrently herewith to December 3, 2001, please  
amend the present application under the provisions of 37 C.F.R.  
1.116 as follows (see the attachment for details of the  
amendment):

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 13, as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) An image processing apparatus  
comprising:

image input means for getting a plurality of image parts  
dividing one composition such that the image parts have

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